

FISCAL NOTE
HB 2069 - SB 2138

February 28, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Renames Nashville State Technical Institute (NSTI) to be the *Nashville State Community College* which shall be under the management and control of the Tennessee Board of Regents. The College is authorized to provide comprehensive one-year and two-year occupational, college parallel, continuing education, and community service programs. The College shall serve as a regional technical school to train engineering technicians for industry, and prepare students to earn a living as a technician or technical worker in the field of production, distribution or service. Any legal or contractual rights, duties, obligations or evidences of debt of Nashville State Technical Institute shall become the rights, duties, or obligations of the Nashville State Community College.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Less Than \$100,000

Estimate assumes:

- Upgrading Nashville State Technical Institute to a community college status will not result in an increase in funding through the *Higher Education Funding Formula* at the present time.
- Significant investment has already been made towards facilities and programs necessary for community college status.
- Any additional expenditures required for the change that would not have occurred in the absence of the bill are estimated to be less than \$100,000.

Note: Any long term impact as a result of the upgrade to community college status will be determined by decisions that are made in regards to adding programs and facilities in the future. However, should such improvements be necessary they would likely require a significant increase in state expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director